(c) the total amount paid by BTPS/NTPC to the Railway during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) the reasons for not paying full amount to Railways; and

(e) by when all the payments are likely to be cleared by NTPC/BTPS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Badarpur Thermal Power Station (BTPS) owes Rs. 980.60 crores as on 31st March, 2000 to Railways for transporting coal. The details of these dues are as under:—

Upto December, 1996	Rs. 733.25 crores
January, 1997 to March, 1998	Rs. 90.56 crores
April, 1998 to March, 1998	Rs. 141.83 crores
April, 1999 to March, 2000	Rs. 14.96 crores

(c) The details of amount paid by BTPS to Railways during the last three years are as under:—

1997-98	Rs 274.50 crores
1998-99	Rs 207.00 crores
1999-2000	Rs 359.23 crores

(d) and (e) The entire output of the BTPS is being supplied to Delhi Vidyut Board and BTPS have to meet their entire expenses including cost and freight of coal from energy bills realised from DVB. The DVB has been defaulting continuously in payment of energy bills to BTPS. As on 31st March, 2000, DVB owes Rs 8061.11 crores (including surcharge of Rs. 4911.36 crores) to BTPS. Consequently, BTPS has not been able to pay the freight bills of Railways in full. As soon as DVB is able to clear the outstandings of BTPS, it would, in turn be able to clear the dues of Railways. However, BTPS is making payment of current freight bills of Railways in full.

White Paper on functioning of DVB

5585. SHRI ABANI ROY: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are persistant demand to issue a White Paper on the functioning of DVB;

(b) if so, whether in view of failure of DVB to generate, distribute or the check theft cases, the Central Government propose to takeover the same; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) Delhi Vidyut Board (DVB) is under the administrative and financial control of Government of NCT of Delhi. Presently, there is not proposal before the Union Government to issue a White Paper on the functioning of DVB nor to take generation and distribution of Board. However, Government of NCT of Delhi has already brought out a Stategy Paper on Power Sector in Delhi in January, 1999.

Pending Power Projects in Orissa

5586. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the power projects submitted by State Government of Orissa for clearance by the Central Government;

(b) the present status of pending power projects of Orissa; and

(c) the steps taken to expedite these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The present status of proposals received from the State Government of Orissa are as follows:—

Name of the Power Project	Capacity (MW)	Present Status
A. CEA Cleared Schemes		
1. Ib Valley TPP Unit—5&6	2x250	TEC issued on 26.2.99. Financial closure is awaited.
2. Daburi TPP	2x250	TEC issued on 29.4.99. Financial closure is awaited.

B. Under Examination

— No thermal scheme is under examination in CEA for the purpose of TEC.

— A Detailed Project Report for setting up of Balimela Extn. unit 7 & 8 (2x75 MW) was submitted by Orissa Hydel Power Corporation in May 1998. The scheme was considered in TEC meeting held on 25.10.1999. TEC would be issued after fulfilment of the (i) Ministry of Environment and Forests clearance for Surulikanda barrage